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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR CD (SIHANOUK)

SUBJECT: SIHANOUK THREATENS TO RESIGN FROM GRUNK

1. ASSUME EMBASSY WILL BE FORWARDING TEXT OF LE MONDE ARTICLE WHICH WAS CITED IN UPI 141 FROM PARIS OCTOBER 26 WHICH STATED THAT SIHANOUK HAS THREATENED TO RESIGN BECAUSE OF QUOTE BAD RELATIONS WITH HIS LEFT WING KHMER ROUGE ALLIES. END QUOTE IN THE INTERVIEW SIHANOUK SAID HE MAY STAY IN PEKING QUOTE FOREVER. END QUOTE AND REPLAYED THE THEME THAT HIS FORCES LACKED AMMUNITION BECAUSE CHINA AND NVN WERE CURRYING FAVOR WITH THE US.

2. WE ASSUME THAT THIS IS A TYPICAL SIHANOUK PLOY TO STRENGTHEN HIS HAND WITH HIS COMMUNIST ALLIES BUT NEVERTHELESS BELIEVE IT WOULD BE GOOD AMMUNITION FOR THOSE WHO ARE LOBBYING ON BEHALF OF THE GKR IN THE UN CREDENTIALS FIGHT.

3. BELIEVE A FULL SUMMARY OF THE LE MONDE STORY REPEATED
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TO KEY CAPITALS WOULD BE USEFUL IN APPRISING GOVERNMENTS

OF THE NATURE OF SIHANOUK'S RELATIONSHIPS WITH HIS PRESENT
KHMER ROUGE ASSOCIATES. KISSINGER

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